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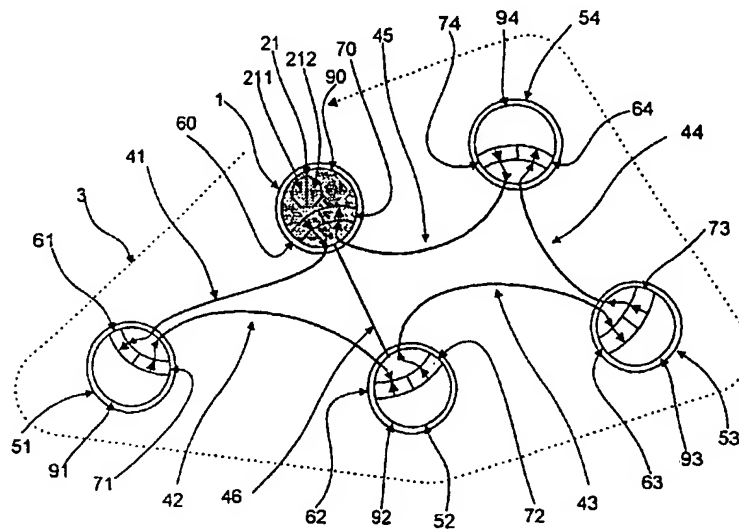
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(57) **Abstract:** A method for managing the respective processing loads of a plurality of processors in a network using a load balancing technique for load balancing, in which: a first network management processor issues a processing load information collection message to an adjacent processor, said adjacent processor adds into the message its analysed processing load information and forwards said message to yet another processor of the processor network which repeats the adding and forwarding functions, until one processor forwards the message with the added processing load information to the first network management processor, which determines, on the basis of the processing load information of the processors stored in said processing load information collection message a load balancing technique for load distribution among the processors in said processor network.

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